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HOUSE RESOLUTION 337  
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A RESOLUTION to recognize Dale Patterson on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dale Patterson is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patterson has served as a classroom teacher with Rutherford County School System for nineteen years; during his illustrious career, he has positively influenced many young lives; and

WHEREAS, he has served with distinction as a teacher and coach at Central Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Dale Patterson's remarkable career as an educator spans thirty-five years, including three years teaching in Georgia and seven years with the Tennessee Department of Education; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Patterson is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement, he plans to devote his time to real estate sales, a profession in which he has recently achieved the top nineteen percent of sales across the country, qualifying for the International Diamond Society with Coldwell Banker Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Dale Patterson truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel is highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; he represents all that is good and noble in education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patterson treasures the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Carol, and his three children, Terri, Kelley, and Rusty, who all attend Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, he truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized on the occasion of his retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Dale Patterson for his exceptional service to the young people of Rutherford County, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.